for no other purpose. In determining whether an expenditure represents a capital improvement, the Board will be guided by the following principle: The useful life of the improvement shall be at least equal to the life of the bonds by which it is financed.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the expression of legislative intent contained in this Act shall be deemed to apply continuously since the final passage of House Bill No. 712 on April 8, 1979.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 22, 1980.

CHAPTER 136

(Senate Bill 367)

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County - Election of County Council

FOR the purpose of allowing the charter for the government of Anne Arundel County to provide a certain method for the election of county council members; declaring this measure to be a local matter for certain purposes; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Maryland

Article XI-A - Local Legislation Section 3A

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, (Three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses concurring), That it be proposed that section(s) of the Constitution of Maryland be repealed, amended, or added to read as follows:

Article XI-A - Local Legislation